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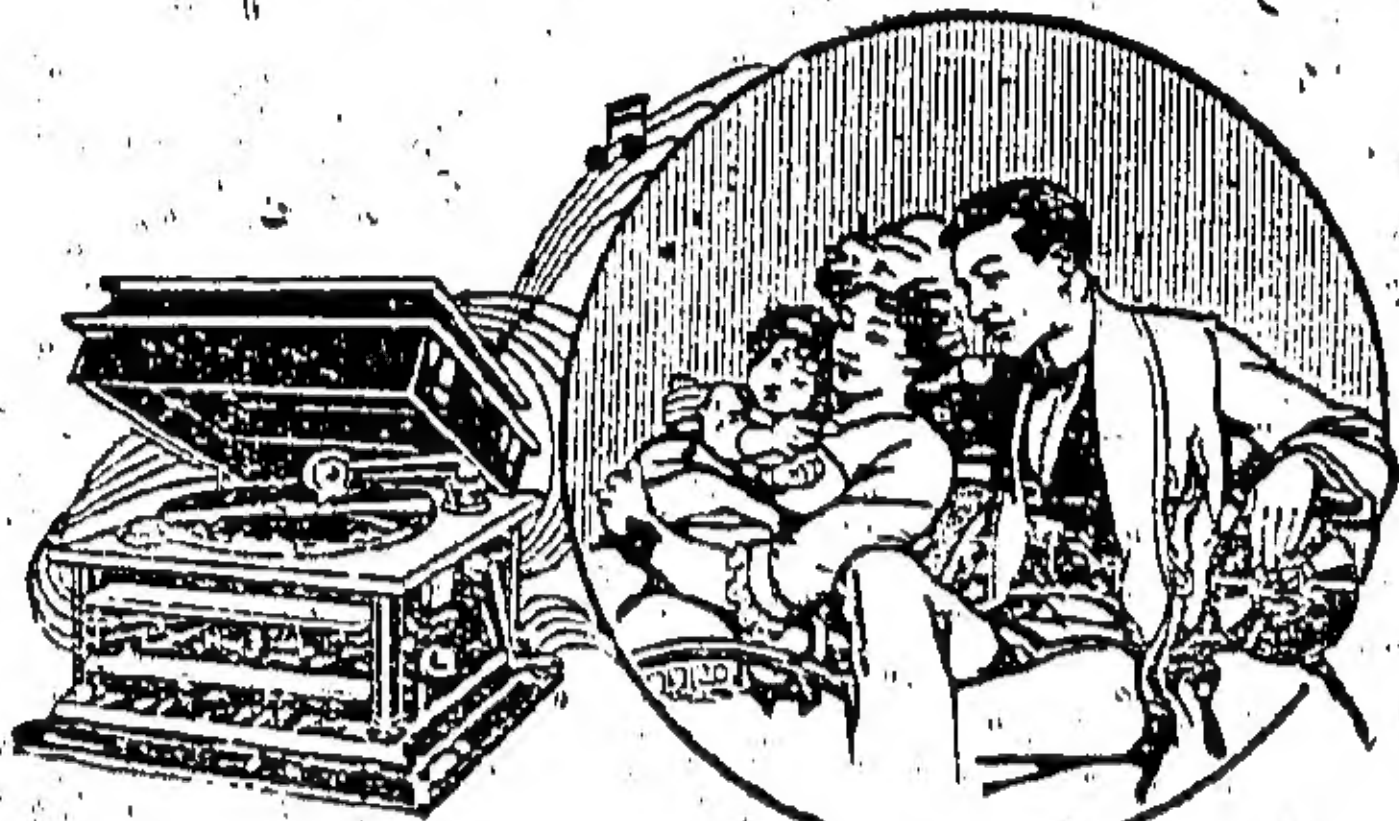
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AT the request of several patrons of the  
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a series of dances to be held during  
Christmas Week open to residents and  
diners in the Hotel. These will take  
place on the following nights:—

### CHRISTMAS EVE

FRIDAY, 24th December, 1915.

### BOXING DAY

MONDAY, 27th December, 1915.

### NEW YEAR EVE

FRIDAY, 31st December, 1915.

By kind permission of Lieut. Colonel L.  
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will be in attendance.  
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Ha-ha-ha, you and me,  
Little Green Tin, don't I love thee,  
Ha-ha-ha, you and me,  
Little Green Tin, don't I love thee.

(2)

When I go down to work each day  
I've got to smoke upon my way,  
I smoke the best in all the land  
Which means "Three Castles" brand.

Chorus.

(3)

I can't afford to smoke cigars,  
My slender pay that habit bars,  
But I'm as pleased, it's common sense,  
With "Little Green Tin" at 50 cents.

Chorus.

(4)

Like Johnson, it has proved its worth;  
It is the "Greatest Smoke On Earth",  
Obtainable from East to West  
The "Three Castles" Cigarette is the best.

Chorus.

(5)

If I'd a tree that grew such leaf,  
I'd pluck the foliage by the shaft;  
Then lay me down with spirits light  
And smoke "Magnum" all day and night.

### CHORUS

Ha-ha-ha, you and me,  
Little Green Tin, don't I love thee,  
Ha-ha-ha, you and me,  
Little Green Tin, don't I love thee.

## SCOTTISH LETTER.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

EDINBURGH, November 17.

### EDINBURGH RECRUITS.

Indicting accounts are coming in from  
different parts of the country as to the  
Derby recruiting scheme; though on the  
whole it is said to be making "good pro-  
gress." One of the chief Scottish organi-  
sations put the matter thus:—"Even those at  
headquarters cannot say for certain how the  
thing is going." He added, "It must be remembered that  
a spurt of numbers is not sufficient: we  
must get enough to guarantee 35,000 per  
week for six months to come." He was  
positive that the figures for Scotland to-  
date were better than those for England  
and Wales. Unfortunately there is a lack  
of canvassers, scarcely one district is fully  
equipped. The two great political parties  
have put all their electoral machinery at  
the disposal of the recruiting authorities;  
but it is discovered that men who would  
willingly come forward to canvass for  
election will not canvass for recruits.  
"We don't like the job," they say honestly,  
and this want of workers will prevent an  
early result being obtained.

In the large cities the recruits are said  
to be plentiful. In Glasgow they have better  
results than for the past five months.  
Indeed the rate of recruits is so large  
that Sunday work has had to be rein-  
forced. In Edinburgh, also, men are  
coming in well, and are not waiting to be  
canvassed. At the request of the Lord  
Provost we had a Recruiting Sunday, when  
the King's appeal was read from all the  
pulpits, and many men came forward to  
be delivered. Presbyterian ministers  
are taking a large part  
in the Sunday recruiting meetings, an  
innovation which should make some of  
our old Sabbatarians turn in  
their graves. At one of them,  
the Rev. Principal Whyte, of the  
United Free Church, who has already lost  
one son in Flanders, spoke thus:—"I have  
four sons and one daughter in the service,  
and if I had ten sons they would all be at  
your call." That was all, but the few  
words were impressive. From some  
districts it is said that men are being  
anxious to get what they consider "soft  
jobs," the A.S.O. or the P.A.M.C., so  
that they fight shy of the infantry. But  
the recruiters boast that when they once  
hear of such a man they never leave him  
until they "gather him in"; as they say,  
"he is half converted already."

NOT TOO HOLY TO FIGHT.

A "paper war" is being waged round  
the question of the enlistment of ministers.  
As I have already pointed out in this  
column, Presbyterian Churches occupy a  
different place from those of their  
contemporaries in the Anglican com-  
munity. The Archbishop of Canterbury  
has drawn a circle of sanctity round  
his clergy; the Moderators of the  
Presbyterian Churches can do no more.  
Ministers are not exempt from the  
call to arms, and are not exempt from  
the call to the front line. The first  
principle of the Church is that of  
voluntarism. There is no such thing as  
"too holy to fight" as the Rev. Dr. Wallace  
Williamson said in the Scottish Churches.  
This Scottish minister would not properly  
represent Scottish opinion if it did not say  
that ministers may have many private rea-  
sons for examining the grounds on which  
they make their choice—in their case a  
purely voluntary choice—and are justified in  
making their judgment accordingly.  
Certainly they will see nothing in the eyes  
of their countrymen, rather they will  
enhance the dignity and influence of their  
spiritual functions, if, putting aside the  
notion that the service of God conflicts  
with the service of man, in the most  
righteous cause that ever called the sword  
from its scabbard, they resolve to make  
the last sacrifice that the State can demand  
of its citizens. The Church in France has  
gained immeasurably, we are told, from the  
devoted attitude of its priesthood in its hour  
of trial. The patriotism of Scottish  
Churchmen would not go unwarded.

### THE WAR A CREW.

Our soldiers are "marching gallantly  
into the burning fury furnace of the world  
conflagration," says Lord Rosebery in an  
eloquent preface to a new history of the  
Royal Scots, the Territorial Regiment of  
the Lothians and Peebles, the latter "the  
romantic, countess with a romantic  
name." "Each soldier of the King," he goes  
on, "great or small, who is fighting in this  
campaign, fights that we may breathe the free  
air once more, and be relieved from the  
misery of a hot and stifling tyranny, each  
soldier and sailor is the champion of  
civilisation and liberty as well as of his  
country." "He is fighting," declares his  
Lordship, "for a sacred and vital cause."

## THE MAGISTRACY.

Wednesday, Dec. 22.

A Chinese was sentenced to two  
months' hard labour by Mr. Wood for  
stealing a lead pipe from the "Kwong  
Tung."

A Chinese was charged with stealing  
two bangles, valued at \$5.50, from a  
girl at two at Sai Street. The woman  
succeeded in holding the snatcher until  
the police arrived. Defendant was  
remanded.

A Chinese, charged before Mr. Hazeland  
yesterday with unlawful possession of,  
and attempting to export, 12 bags of raw  
Ferdian opium on the a.s. Haiching, was  
remanded in bail of \$250. Mr. L.  
D'Almeida appeared for the defendant.

Charged by Serge. Allen, R.N.D.  
Police, before Mr. Hazeland yesterday  
with stealing 2lbs. of red lead, the  
property of H.M. Naval Dockyard, a  
Chinese was sentenced to two months'  
imprisonment and four hours' stocks.  
Defendant was found coming out of the  
gates with a packet in each shoe.

A coolie on the Dairy Farm launch  
was charged before Mr. Hazeland yester-  
day with stealing a bag of brown  
sugar, valued at \$5, in the harbour on  
Monday. Mr. P. W. Goldring defended,  
and said he was instructed, that the  
defendant had bolted. Defendant did not  
appear, and his bail was exonerated.

## REVOLUTIONARIES IN SHANGHAI.

IMPORTANT JUDGMENT BY MR.  
GRANT JONES.

Before Mr. Grant-Jones, British  
Assessor, and Magistrate Yu, a Chinese  
was charged in the Mixed Court at  
Shanghai last week with being concerned  
in the bomb attack on the office of the  
"Asiatic Daily News."

Mr. A. E. Newman appeared for the  
prosecution and Mr. Miso, who acted  
on behalf of the Chinese Govern-  
ment.  
Mr. Newman said that the man had  
already been charged with being in un-  
lawful possession of a Municipal Police  
pistol. At the hearing of that case  
evidence had been given of the finding  
of a paper upon the defendant relating  
to a certain change of government and  
what was to be done when the change  
took place. In a statement the defendant  
had admitted being a prominent revolu-  
tionary, and had been in receipt of money  
from Japan. He admitted that he was  
a member of the Tung Meng-hui, but  
denied that he had anything to do with  
the bomb case.

Evidence was given in support of the  
charge by a Chinese in custody in con-  
nection with the affair, and Mr. Grant  
Jones in delivering judgment said:—

I wish to say at once, in order that  
people in this Settlement may clearly  
understand the position of the Court, that  
if this person were a resident of the  
International Settlement we should hand  
him over to the Chinese Authorities on  
his own admission, or if he had not  
made this admission, or evidence which  
showed to our satisfaction that there was  
reasonable ground to associate him  
with the movements of the  
revolutionary party. But this man is not  
a resident of the Settlement; he has been  
handed over to us by the French Authori-  
ties, and the question before the Court  
is whether the prisoner is guilty of the  
charge preferred against him, the charge  
of conspiring to explode a bomb on the  
premises of the "Asiatic Daily News." If  
we do not find him guilty of that  
charge, it will plainly be our duty to  
restore him to the custody of the French  
Police. We do, however, find him guilty,  
and in accordance with the rule which  
we have made that where a person is  
charged with a breach within the juris-  
diction, of the criminal law of this  
country, he may, if the Court thinks fit  
in the interests of justice and after a  
prima facie case has been established  
against him, be handed over to the pro-  
per Chinese Authorities for trial, we now  
direct that he be so delivered up to the  
Authorities at the Arsenal. The prisoner  
is to be taken, in the custody of an officer  
of this Court, to the French Authorities  
for completion of their record, and on  
his return the order of rendition is to be  
carried out.

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In accordance with Ordinance No. 5 of  
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be CLOSED for the Transfer of  
PUBLIC BUSINESS on SATURDAY and  
MONDAY the 25th and 27th instants.  
Hongkong, Dec. 22, 1915. 1088

### INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the above  
Company will be CLOSED from 28th  
instant to 31st instant both days inclusive.  
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.  
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Hongkong, Dec. 21, 1915. 1084

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MONDAY, DECEMBER 27th.

In connection with the above Competi-  
tion, a special train in addition to the  
11.25 train, will leave Kowloon on  
December 27th at 11.10 A.M. (last ferry  
10.55 A.M.) and is timed to reach Szeung  
Sze at 11.45 A.M.  
There will be accommodation for 50  
passengers only.

T. W. HILL,  
Acting Hon. Secretary.  
Hongkong, Dec. 22, 1915. 1080

### KOWLOON CANTON RAILWAY.

(BRITISH SECTION).

### NOTICE.

THE PUBLIC IS HEREBY NOTIFIED  
that the Train which used to leave  
Kowloon at 1.25 P.M. on SATURDAY  
will be suspended on SATURDAY the 25th  
December and SATURDAY the 31st  
January next.

By Order,  
H. P. WINSLOW,  
Manager.

Kowloon, Dec. 22, 1915. 1087

## NOTICE.

THE OFFICES of the Nippon Yusen  
Kaisha are THIS DAY REMOVED to  
the Ground Floor, King's Building,  
Cantonment Road Central (formerly occupied  
by the Pacific Mail Steamship Co.).  
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Exchange to each Department.  
Hongkong, Dec. 20, 1915. 1079

## HONGKONG STOCK EXCHANGE.

### NOTICE.

THE Committee has decided that the  
following shall be the Settlement  
Days for the year 1916:—

FRIDAY, .....	28th January.
MONDAY, .....	2nd February.
WEDNESDAY, ..	29th March.
THURSDAY, .....	27th April.
FRIDAY, .....	30th May.
WEDNESDAY, ..	28th June.
FRIDAY, .....	28th July.
TUESDAY, .....	29th August.
THURSDAY, .....	28th September.
FRIDAY, .....	27th October.
TUESDAY, .....	22nd November.
FRIDAY, .....	22nd December.

By Order of the Committee,  
EDWARD M. RAYMOND,  
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Hongkong Stock Exchange.  
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Hongkong, Dec. 23, 1915. 1081

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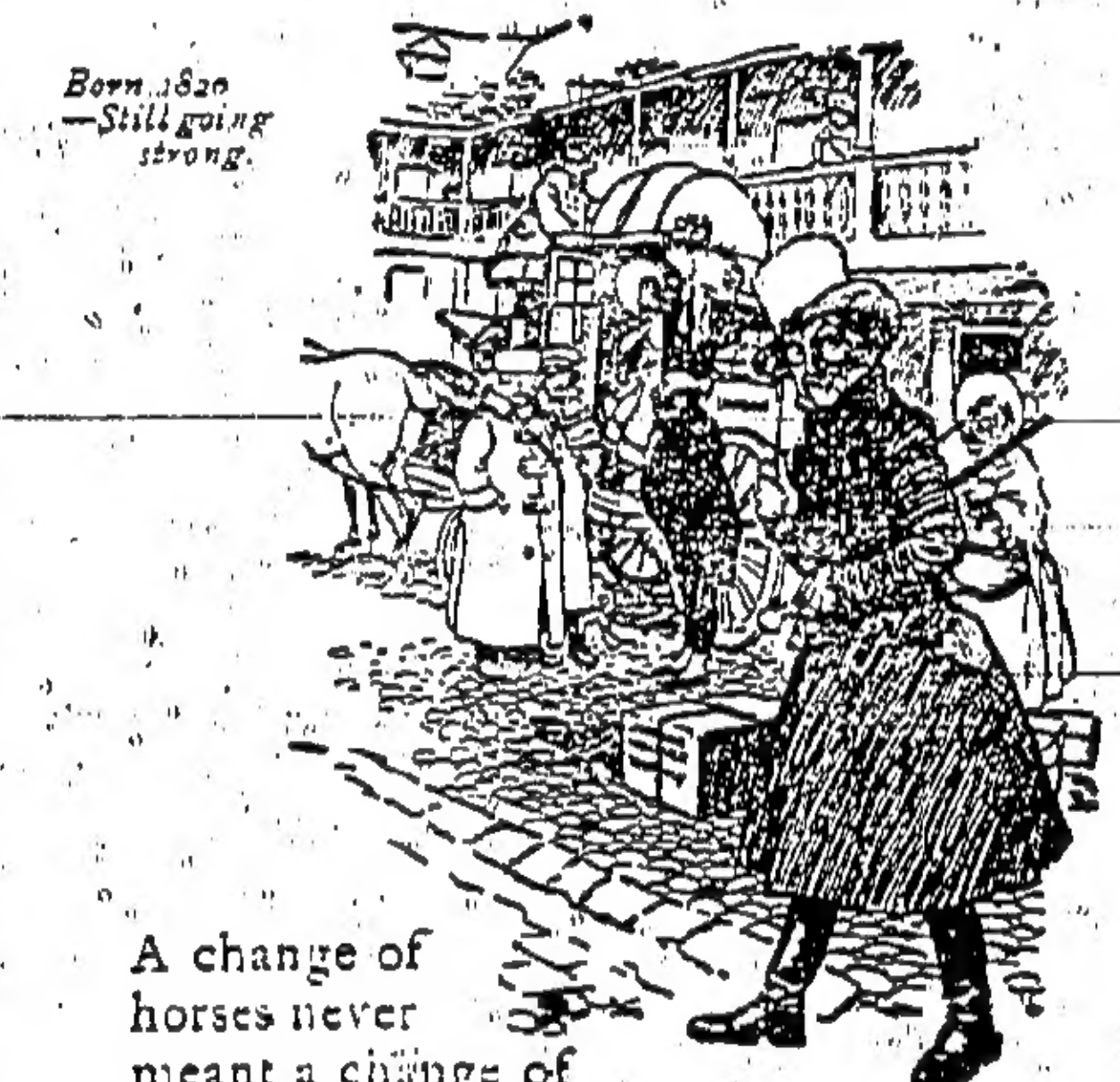
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## SCOTTISH LETTER.

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It is probably mainly the Territorials that Mr. Williams is thinking in the following passage, where he speaks of the infinite variety of forms of speech to be heard in the ranks—in the later New Army battalions the men do not all come from one district, and the accent is a battle-lion in itself, therefore, so marked. "One of the most fascinating things to me," he writes, "are the variations of speech. Take the Scottish regiments, for instance. I am very little acquainted with the dialects of Scotland, but my ear has told me that the speech of almost every Scottish regiment, save such regiments as the Gordons and the Black Watch, that attract men from all over the United Kingdom differs considerably. I spent a most fascinating half-hour one evening with a handful of Glasgow newbys, serving in a famous Scottish regiment that wears the trows. Their speech was unmistakably the speech of the Glasgow streets, and their wits were as sharp as their bayonets. I visited the Cameron Highlanders, who were left of their Territorial battalion—after the second battle of Ypres, and heard, in the speech of Inverness-shire, the story of the battle. Many of them speak Gaelic. One of their officers confided to me that during the battle, requiring two men to go down to the rear, he was being cut, to ascertain the whereabouts of the Brigade Headquarters, he selected two notorious deer-poachers as he had to have their wits about them.

SCOTTISH CHAPEL AT WESTMINSTER.

On St. Andrew's Day there will be unveiled a new Chapel of St. Andrew and the Saints of Scotland in the Roman Catholic Cathedral at Westminster. The work was begun nearly three years ago, and has been carried on mainly by Italian craftsmen giving concrete expression to a design by Mr. Schullis Weir. The cost, amounting to many thousands of pounds, is being defrayed by the Marquis of Bute. Among the Scottish characteristics of the design is the canopy of the altar of white marble, supported by five pillars of Peterhead granite with bases of grey Aberdeen granite. The lower dado of the south wall is of Egyptian blue granite, the base, the colour of St. Andrew and Scotland. In the vaulting are representations of six cities connected with the Apostles—Patras, Amala, Milan, Constantinople, Bethsaida, and St. Andrews. On one side of the transept are sculpted the representations of Scotland's great saints—St. Ninian, St. Columba, and St. Margaret.

THE GORDON'S DAILY.

A war Padre's despatch from the front to his home congregation is sometimes an interesting story, but seldom amusing. The letter which the Rev. G. H. Donald has sent to his parishioners in Aberdeen, in which he describes some aspects of the life of the Gordons in the trenches, may, however, be called interesting. He says that if you go along Elgin Avenue, which leads to Gordon Castle, you come across a spongy, healthy looking cow in a dugout all its own. She is named Mary, and is entered in the books as a "trench store." "We get a gay supply of milk from her," writes the Padre, "at Aberdeen. The cow, though in the trenches, 'is in clover,' she is well and regularly fed, and has many cattle-men to see to her comfort. Ration biscuits and grass are her chief articles of diet. When feeding on the ration a spongy wicker over her, lest, as Mr. Donald points out, 'some marauding villain from the next battalions should covet her.' Recently a shell burst 25 yards from the dugout and ruined it, but the cow is still going strong and giving plenty of rich, nourishing milk.

ACCORDS, AND GOOD, AND DRIVE. Professor Noel Paton, of Glasgow, told an Aberdeen audience that 12 million tons of cereals were used yearly for the manufacture of alcoholic drink, that this would be sufficient to support something like 3,000,000 men, and—incidentally—that 2 ounces of alcohol were sufficient for an adult. Professor Paton, Provost of Glasgow, who has a happy humour of his own though engaged in business as a granite tombstone manufacturer, remarked that "that advice would please many people," when they reckoned that there were 16 drams to an ounce.

EDINBURGH IN WAR TIME. Coming to St. Giles' Cathedral, the dean of the place writes "K. M.," in the "Bulletin," "I am sharply recalled to the stern realities of the present by the sound of the pipes playing 'The Campbells Are Coming' and marching up the High Street, with firm tread and martial bearing. A fine regiment of our killed lads, the Argyll and Sutherland, swing past. But what unfetters army is that? We see running up the surest of boys coming from all directions, and as they overtake the regiment each boy falls in line with the soldiers, keeping step for two as if to the manner born, marching proudly alongside, head up, shoulders squared, many of them hatless, with well-worn jackets; right up the entrance of the Castle parade ground they march. What the officers who had sympathetically made allowances for their youthful zeal, give the order to 'Fall out,' they sorrowfully obey and scatter. It had been 'Marche exaltin' time, when the strains of the pipes thrilled their young hearts to 'Fall in.' Brave little lads, no need to canvas for them; they are all stirred in spirit.

OBITUARY. James Ogilvie Grant, 11th Earl of Seafield, Chief of the Clan Grant, and a Captain in the 5th battalion of the Cameron Highlanders (Locheil's), killed in action, a bullet passing through his head. Born in 1876 in New Zealand, he spent his youth there, his father being a farmer, and he succeeded to the title in 1902. In 1908 he married Mary, Elizabeth Nina, elder daughter of the late Joseph Henry Townsend, M.D., of Christchurch, New Zealand.

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and by her and one daughter he is survived. Lord Seafield was expected to die on the day on which his death was announced there came a letter from him to his sister in which he said, "On Sunday last we had a very bad day, and lost 18 men from shells." It is known that recently the Lordship suffered rather heavily. His Lordship was much interested in Celtic matters, was Chief of the Gaelic Society of Inverness, and did much to further the Gaelic language and literature. Only the other day he sent an order to Inverness for several dozen shinty clubs for the use of the 8th Cameron.

Captain Arthur S. Pringle, 10th Scottish Rifles, killed, practised for some years at the Scottish Bar, but more recently was engaged in the Unionist offices in London. He contested N.W. Lanark against Mr. Pringle, and was a ready and witty speaker. A distinguished athlete, he was Cambridge Blue in Rugby, and played for the Edinburgh Academicals.

Lieut.-Col. J. R. Beoch, died from a chill caught in camp while commanding the 5th Scottish Home. He went through the Egyptian War as a veterinary surgeon, the Gordon Relief Expedition, and the Sudan Campaign. He accompanied Sir Gerald Porter on a mission to Abyssinia, and carried Queen Victoria's letter to King John all alone through a difficult and hostile country. Receiving a combatant commission he served with the 50th Hussars and the Egyptian Cavalry; he retired, but rejoined for the Boer War, where he was on the staff of Sir John French.

From blackwater fever at Sorong, Northern Rhodesia, Dr. Arthur Cumie Russell of Aden, Aberdeen-shire, son of the late Major-General F. S. Russell. He was for some time in British Columbia but recently entered the service of the C. P. Road Company. In the recent war he served with the Rhodesian Rifles on the German East African Frontier; he had been transferred to a Highland regiment, and was on his way to this country. He is succeeded by his brother, Lieut. S. C. Russell, 3rd Cameron, who was recently wounded but has now rejoined.

WILLS AND ESTATES.

Major Henry Talbot Lumsden of Balmacara, Aberdeen-shire, a Cameron Highlander, attached to the Royal Flying Corps, 2103,000.

NORTHERN TROOPS FOR SHANGHAI. By order of the Ts. Huang Ti, General Lu, the Commander-in-Chief of the 10th Division, has left Peking for Shanghai with the whole Division under his command to be stationed at that port and assist the Shanghai local authorities in the maintenance of peace and suppression of disorder.

## RAILWAY ACCIDENT IN NORTH CHINA.

On December 9 a railway accident occurred between the Hsiao-ching and Luchuan stations of the Peking-Hankow Railway. The accident was caused by a collision of two trains running in opposite directions. The locomotives were completely smashed and over twenty cars loaded with goods were also damaged. The loss is estimated at over \$200,000. Fortunately no passenger was killed or injured. Officials alleged to be responsible for the accident have been placed under arrest pending further investigation.

## EGG AND BUTTER FIGHT.

Growing Cost of Commodities in Germany.

The Rheinisch Westfälische Zeitung gives the following account of the great egg and butter fight at Aix-la-Chapelle. "We want no more butter and egg battles such as disgraced the public market-places in that ancient Rhenish city, notwithstanding the provocation which the excessive prices of food may cause the average householder. Butters were asked 3s. 4d. per pound for buyers and 3s. 4d. apiece for eggs. At these rates the articles in question were placed entirely beyond the reach of average citizens. A woman, having been informed of the price of butter, purchased a few pounds and hung them in the dealer's face.

This was the opening of the battle. Soaring housewives and carmen, men and women, salesmen, and cut-throats, bombarded each other with these missiles with such warlike force that in many cases the blood began to flow. In their fury some of the combatants even dashed the war darts in the midst of baskets full of eggs. A horse harnessed to a market wagon was deliberately smeared all over with butter, and well-dressed women who had come to buy the high-priced butter had lumps of that article stuck by the victors in their hair, the general outcry being, 'If we are unable to eat butter or eggs, neither shall you.' Eventually, after the market-place had been wrecked, but not before, the police made a charge and dispersed the rioters.

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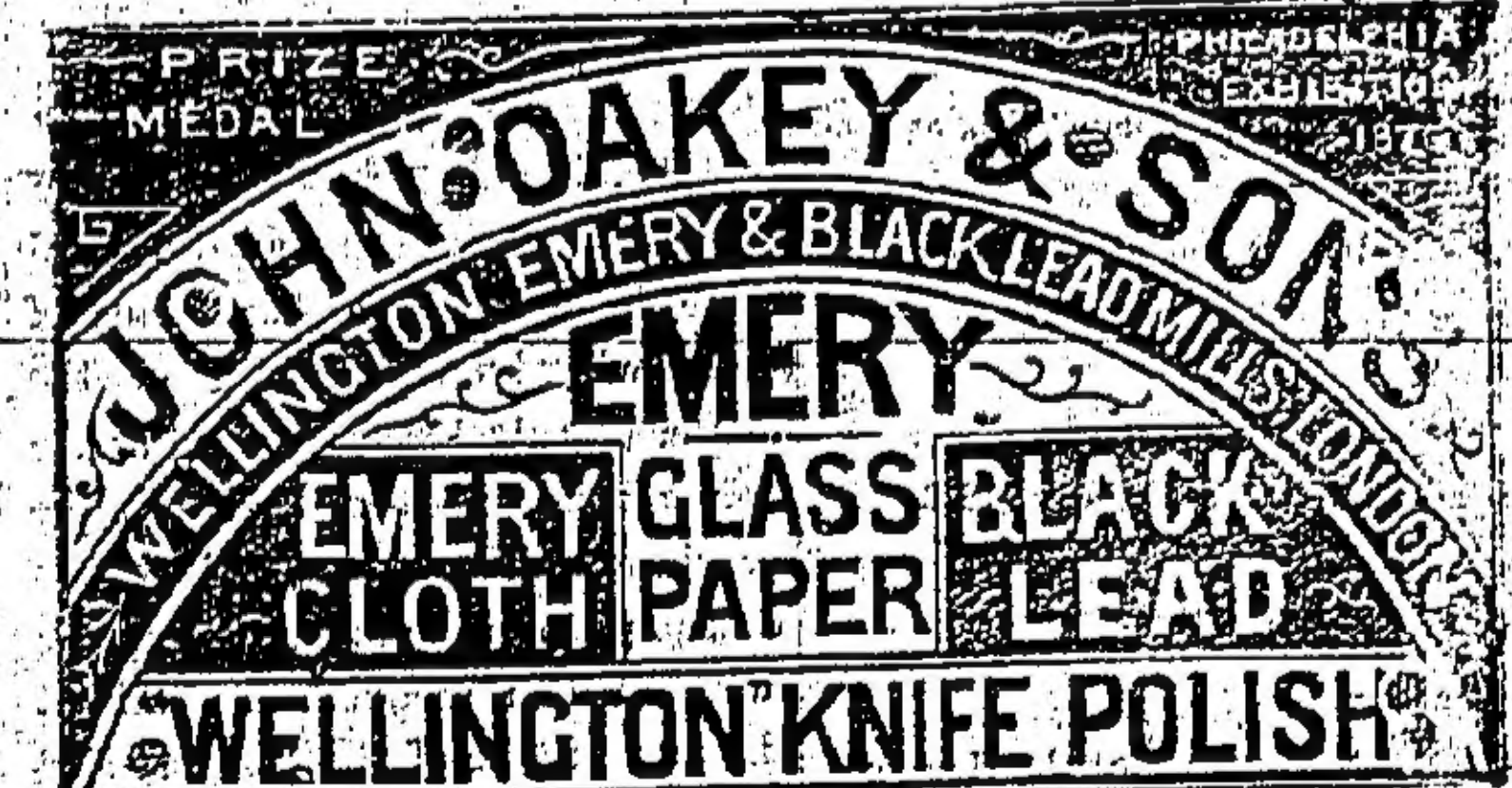
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## THE DIARY.

## MEMOS. FOR TO-MORROW.

Christmas Eve Dance at the Hongkong Hotel.

10.45 a.m.—Auction of a Motor Cycle.

A Charming Clock etc. at Messrs.

Hughes and Hough's.

## General Memoranda.

SATURDAY, Dec. 25.—

Christmas Day: Public Holiday.

MONDAY, Dec. 27.—

Public Holiday.

Mixed Foursums Competition at Fan Ling.

Boxing Day Dance at the Hongkong Hotel.

TUESDAY, Dec. 28.—

President Wilson's Birthday (1856).

FRIDAY, December 31.—

Hogmanay.

New Year's Eve Dance at the Hongkong Hotel.

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## NEWS OF THE DAY.

## LOCAL AND GENERAL.

The next Hongkong Race Meeting has been fixed for February 21, 22 and 23.

Among the passengers who left by the "Yokohama Maru" to-day were Mrs. Roarson, and Madame Delcaine.

Messrs. Hughes and Hough request us to remind our readers of their sale of Xmas toys to-morrow morning at 10.45.

The assistant compradors of the "Tai Shan" reports the theft from the comprador's room of a gold watch valued at \$400.

It is learned, says the "Peking Daily News", from the Ministry of Finance, that the payment of the Boxer indemnity in the next fiscal year will amount to Tls. 11,692,538 and the interest to Tls. 18,202,883.

Great interest again centred in the Kowloon Cricket Club Xmas draw which took place last night. Upwards of 1400 tickets were sold and prizes totalled \$40. Messrs P. Robinson, W. Watson, H. S. Starnes, D. Harvey and S. Green conducted the draw.

The European and Portuguese staffs employed at the Head Office of the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank placed wreaths of chrysanthemums this morning at the front of the bank building opposite the Bank in Des Voeux Road. The flag over the bank was at half-mast during the day.

To-morrow night at the Victoria Theatre will be screened "Max Nee Life", a screening comedy, in two parts, by Max Linder. This film is described as "positively one of the funniest pictures ever produced." There will also be shown a thrilling drama, "The Final Turn," and Pathé's interesting British Gazette.

The revolution reviving the potestates on the valuations of ten months at Takkyus, Hokan and Kowloon City, mentioned in last night's "China Mail" was carried at today's meeting of the Council. The Colonial Secretary proposed the motion and the Colonial Treasurer seconded.

The "S. Coast and Geodetic Survey" has published its first number of "Notice to Mariners," dated at Manila, December 9, 1915. This is specially compiled for the Philippine Islands and is furnished free to mariners. Masters and others interested are requested to send reports of dangers, changes in aids to navigation, and other information affecting Philippine charts and sailing directions to the Director of Coast Survey at Manila. Copies of these notices are on file for inspection at the Harbour Office and the American Consul, to General.

A successful smoking concert which included a distribution of prizes took place at the Royal Naval Dockyard Police Mess last night. The event was in connection with the completion of the billiard tournament, prizes for which were awarded as appended:—1, Sergeant Small, K.S.L.T., who was given a silver cup; 2, O.P.O. Adams, E.M.S. Tamar; 3, Mr. W. B. Cawsey; 4, Mr. Elly's highest break for non prize winner, Mr. W. Bonnet, consolation, Sanitary Inspector Sarg's booky, O.P.O. Huxford. Inspector Church presented the prizes. Les. Corpl. Perrin and White, R.N., Mr. H. 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 100.

## ALLEGATIONS AGAINST THE POLICE.

A Chinese was charged before Mr Wood this morning with embezzling \$9 0 from a shopkeeper at 69, Bonham Street.

"Complainant gave evidence of sending his foki, the defendant, to the 'Charles Hardin' to receive \$800 from the compradors for goods supplied. When he came back he said that on his way back to Wing Lok Street he had been robbed of the money. Later the police told witness that the money had been recovered and the man arrested.

Evidence was given of the payment of the money on board the ship.

Defendant in a statement picked to his story of having his pocket picked. The police "assaulted him to get at the truth." He was seized by the throat and shaken, and they forced him to say that the money had been handed over to his friend. He was so badly assaulted that he would have admitted it if he had been accused of committing an armed robbery at the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank.

Defendant, who had admitted the crime in a statement to the police, was sentenced to six months' hard labour. His Worship asked Inspector M. O'Sullivan to inform the Captain Superintendent of Police of the man's allegations.

## THE CHILDREN'S COLDS.

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## N.Y.K. "YASAKA MARU" SUNK.

HONGKONG RESIDENTS SAFE AT "PORT SAID."

The Nippon Yusen Kaisha has received the following wire dated December 22:— "Much regret to inform you: the 'Yasaka Maru' sunk yesterday. Will wire immediately received definite news passengers crew."

Cables from Port Said to hand are from Mr. L. N. Leefo, of the Insurance Department, Messrs. Jardine, Matheson and Co., Ltd.; Mr. J. H. Seth; of Messrs. Pany Smith, Sedland and Fleming, who was travelling with his wife and child, also from Mrs. W. Bishop and daughter, all of whom cable "all well."

The information leads to the conclusion that the vessel was "sunk in the Mediterranean and that there was no time in which to save belongings, whether by the sudden sinking of the ship or the threatening action of a hostile submarine" is not clear.

The "Yasaka Maru" was completing her third round trip. She left London on November 7th and passed Gibraltar on the 15th being bound for the Far East. With first and second class passengers and a full cargo. She is one of the finest ships built to the order of the N.Y.K. and is a sister ship to the "Sava Maru" and the "Fushimi Maru," with a tonnage of 11,000. She was luxuriously appointed and the whole of the work was carried out in Japanese yards. The approximate cost for each vessel was Yen 2,000,000. The three ships were built expressly for the European service.

The N.Y.K. in their latest ships adopted every device to ensure the safety and general comfort of passengers. All the staterooms of the "Yasaka" class have complete cellular double bottom, divided into numerous water-tight compartments, so that they were regarded as practically unsinkable. There were a large number of life boats and other modern life-saving appliances, far in excess of requirements of the latest Board of Trade rules, and for handling these boats and appliances quickly and efficiently in time of emergency. The patent davits and special electric winches had been provided. The Clayton fire extinguishing apparatus had been installed as a protection against fire.

The passenger bookings for Hongkong, so far as is known, locally, were: Mr. L. N. Leefo, Mrs. V. J. Tartarin and five children, Miss V. Tartarin, Miss H. Tartarin, Mrs. Bishop, Mrs. Sutherland, Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Griffin, and Mr. and Mrs. J. Hennessy, Sept. and child.

## HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

The second drawing of Subscription Griftins for the next Race Meeting took place at the Jockey Club stables at 12.30 p.m. to-day, and resulted as follows:—

Nip. Hoof No.	Colour.	Drawn.
29	70	Mr. J. M. Walker.
29	57	Mr. E. Kadorie.
30	53	Mr. John Johnston.
31	12	Mr. H. Perry Johnston.
32	68	Mr. H. S. Basson.
33	39	Mr. H. S. Basson.
34	69	Mr. O. J. Larnet.
35	67	Mr. Morton Smith.
36	65	Major Nathan.
37	58	Mr. Moller and Capt. Arthur.
38	10	The Wayfong Moss.
39	46	Mr. P. Kremer.
40	66	Mr. P. Kremer.
41	64	Mr. Lambert.

## ST. JOHN AMBULANCE ASSOCIATION.

## "FIRST AID TO THE WOUNDED."

At an Examination in "First Aid to the Wounded" conducted recently by Dr. W. V. M. Koch, the following ladies who attended a Class taught by Surgeon Major Black at Quarry Bay, were successful in qualifying for a Certificate:—

Mrs. Jess Chapman  
Mrs. Agnes Margaret Dalziel  
Mrs. Mary Duggan  
Mrs. Aidan Hill  
Miss Jessie McNeill  
Miss Winnie McNeill  
Mrs. Mabel Stratford.

In his Report the Hon. Examiner (Dr. Koch) states that although the range of the questions asked was wider than actually required, all the candidates showed an excellent knowledge of the subject and displayed great interest in the work.

In a letter to his parishioners, the Rev. J. P. Church, vicar of St. John's, Lower Weston, Bath, says that a deputation has requested him to preach shorter sermons on Sunday mornings. He has agreed. "Better an underdone sermon than an overdone Sunday dinner."

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## THE LATE SIR THOMAS JACKSON.

REFERENCE BY THE GOVERNOR.

Before the commencement of the proceedings at the Legislative Council to-day H. E. the Governor, Sir Henry May, made the following reference to the late Sir Thomas Jackson:—

"We meet to-day under the shadow cast by the death of one of the great dead, upon the institution which he served so nobly; upon the Colony of which he was the greatest citizen it ever possessed; and upon the hearts of the many friends in every station of life who had the privilege of his acquaintance."

Sir Thomas Jackson, with the brilliant abilities by which the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank was raised under his care from small beginnings to the splendid position it now occupies in the financial world, combined a kindness of heart which endeared him to all who came into contact with him. He was the unofficial adviser of successive Governors of this Colony, and in his generosity he dispensed his counsel to all who cared to ask for it. In my younger days I have more than once had recourse not in vain to that fountain of wisdom. He was, in very truth, a man of a crystal mind, as pure and innocent of guile as that of a child, and of a heart of pure gold. His friendship was indeed a priceless gift from Heaven, for those who were honoured by it.

I beg to move the following resolution:— "This Council desires to place on record its deep sorrow at the death of Sir Thomas Jackson, a former member of the Legislature, the appreciation of the magnificent services of the deceased to the Colony and to British trade, and its heartfelt sympathy with his widow and family in their bereavement."

And I beg to move as a mark of respect to the memory of this great man, that after the answering of the questions on the agenda, this Council does adjourn to Thursday next.

The resolution was adopted in honour of the members standing.

## A BROKER'S CLAIM.

A broker's claim for commission was investigated by the Police Judge in the Summary Court this morning. The plaintiff Chan Yung Sang, represented by Mr. Kong Sing, claimed \$300 which he said was due under an agreement for the sale and purchase of property. Mr. Gardner disputed the claim on behalf of Yee Yek of 100c Wanchai Road.

The plaintiff, said Mr. Kong Sing, was a property broker, and the defendant was formerly the owner of certain property which was wished to be disposed of. On September 9th and 9th Wanchai Road for \$22,000, and the terms of the sale were that no brokerage should be paid, but should the property be sold for more than the amount stipulated the surplus should be the property of the broker. Those terms were subject to a deposit at a solicitor's office. Within the time of the order the plaintiff secured a purchaser for the property for \$23,000. The agreement was signed at Messrs. Johnson, Stokes and Maister on September 10th and ten per cent. of the purchase money was deposited. The purchase was completed with a receipt for a deed of assignment. The intending purchaser cancelled the agreement. The plaintiff asked for a commission for the services rendered in procuring a purchaser and the defendant said that he had better keep that order. She further stated that it was another purchaser for the property the terms of the order were to remain in full force. The plaintiff approached another broker and he got another purchaser for the sum of \$23,000 and a purchase was entered into on October 29th. At the time of the payment of the deposit the plaintiff obtained \$100 from the defendant in order to pay part of it to the second broker, to whom he had promised \$150. The assignment was completed on Nov. 14 and at that time the second broker had the money in his possession and handed it over to the defendant, less \$100 which he intended to keep as commission. A receipt was drawn up, but the defendant refused to accept the money less the \$100 unless she received from the plaintiff a receipt for \$200 which was to include the \$100 he received at the time of signing the agreement.

After evidence had been called regarding certain Chinese documents, his Lordship intimated that he wished to get away early in order to complete his judgment under the Habeas Corpus proceedings.

The case was accordingly adjourned until to-morrow when a date will be fixed.

## AFTERNOON SHARE QUOTATIONS.

Messrs. Vernon and Smyth advise us that Douglas, China Sugars and Cements have all advanced in price since this morning. They were quoted this afternoon as under:—

Douglas ..... \$101 sales & buyers.  
China Sugars ..... 128  
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The Port of Bombay which had been closed to night entries and departures and traffic since the war, was to be open from midnight of the 4th instant when the examination vessel was to be withdrawn.

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## EXECUTIVE COUNCIL VACANCY.

GOVERNMENT'S REPLY TO HON. MR. POLLOCK'S QUESTIONS.

At this afternoon's meeting of the Legislative Council the Government replied to a series of questions put by the Hon. Mr. H. E. Pollock, K.C., inquiring what steps were being taken to fill the vacancy on the Executive Council caused by the death of the late Hon. Mr. E. A. Hewett, C.M.G. The questions and answers were as follows:—

1.—What steps is the Government of His Excellency the Governor taking to fill up the place of the late Mr. Hewett on the Executive Council?

2.—Is it not the fact that I was a Member of the Executive Council, as Acting Attorney-General, for periods of time amounting to nearly 3 years, and is it not the fact that I acted in addition as an Unofficial Member of that Council during the last absence on leave in Europe of Sir Paul Chater and Mr. Hewett respectively, in the years 1911 and 1912?

3.—Has the Government or has His Excellency, the Governor sent any Despatch, and, if so, when, to the Right Honourable the Secretary of State for the Colonies recommending any, and, if so, what person as successor to Mr. Hewett on the Executive Council?

4.—If any such Despatch has been addressed to the Right Honourable the Secretary of State for the Colonies, has the Right Honourable the Secretary of State for the Colonies been informed in such Despatch of the facts referred to in the above question 2? Will the Government lay such Despatch (if any) upon the table of this Council?

5.—Will the Government recommend to the Right Honourable the Secretary of State for the Colonies that the two Unofficial Members of the Executive Council shall be elected Members, instead of being nominated by the Government?

6.—Will the Government recommend to the Right Honourable the Secretary of State for the Colonies that all the Unofficial Members of the Legislative Council shall be elected, instead of two-thirds of them being nominated by the Government, and also that the number of Unofficial Members in that Council be increased?

7.—Is it fitting that the Governor himself should answer these questions. The first four relate to the appointment of an Unofficial Member to the Executive Council. Under the Royal Instructions, which form part of the Constitution of the Colony, appointments to that Council are reserved as the sole prerogative of the Crown, and on me as the representative of the Colony of His Most Gracious Majesty the King, devolves the sole responsibility of humbly submitting through the Secretary of State, for the Colonies, for His Majesty's consideration recommendations for such appointments. I am therefore not prepared to permit myself to be criticised as to what action at the present juncture I have taken or shall take to acquire myself of my heavy responsibility. But I can assure the Honourable Member in whose name the questions stand that his services to the Colonial Government, which none appreciate more than I do, have not been, and will not be, lost sight of.

The last two questions relate to an alteration of the Constitution of the Colony. The suggestions made do not commend themselves to my judgment and the reason in my opinion is strangely out of joint for even the discussion of such questions since the energies both of the Colonial and of the Imperial Governments are at present concentrated on the internecine struggle in which well nigh the whole world is now engaged.

## HONGKONG'S PRISONERS OF WAR.

## OFFICIAL CORRESPONDENCE STILL CONFIDENTIAL.

At this afternoon's meeting of the Legislative Council, the Hon. Mr. P. H. Holyoak, in accordance with notice previously given, asked the following question:—

"With reference to a Reuter's telegram published in the daily Press of the 18th December in which it is stated that 'In the House of Commons Mr. Bonar Law said the question of the desirability of removing alien enemies interned in Hongkong was being considered most carefully, and the Secretary of State was corresponding telegraphically with Hongkong on the subject.' Will the Government, for the information of the Colony, lay upon the table of this Council the telegrams and despatches which have passed to and from the Right Honourable the Secretary of State for the Colonies and the Government, or His Excellency the Governor, upon this subject?"

"The correspondence with the Secretary of State for the Colonies on this subject, which is still under consideration, is confidential and has not yet reached the stage when its purport can be published."

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The Police Authorities of Peking issued a proclamation on the 13th instant, to the following effect: "The Monarchical form of State has already been fixed by the Acting-Li-Pa-Yuan. It has, however, been found that certain private individuals have secretly organized a 'Li Cheng Hui' (Society for Monarchical aims) and are trying to use contributions from the public in order to 'legal organs' to represent the will of the people, there is no reason for the existence of any other Hui. Moreover the change of the form of State is not at all like works of charity which require gratuitous contributions from the public, and in order to maintain peace and order in the various localities, severe punishment will be meted out to those who dare to practise these irregularities."

## A PRINCEDEED FOR THE "GREAT REPUBLICAN."

The following is published in a Peking contemporary and the text of the new Emperor's mandate creating the ex-Vice-President a Prince of the realm:—

State Department, December 18th.

The restoration of Chungh Hui had its beginning at Wuchang; and when we come to consider the making of the nation we cannot but remember the missionary of the new era. The leading man of the Hsin Hai revolution whose name and order of being range and magnitude, are to-day even to be more appreciated. The honours and rewards already conferred on him should be further enhanced. Li Yuan-hang, who was the flag-bearer of the upper course of the Yangtze, commanded the people of the South-east. He has been courageous and unshakable to the highest degree in the support of the Central Government; and in face of myriad dangers, he has faithfully maintained the situation. He especially distinguished himself in the campaign of Kwai Chow, fighting against the rebels who broke out in Kiangsi and Nanking and always at the head of his troops whether in offensive or defensive operations. In accordance with Article 27 of the Constitutional Compact, extraordinary reward of honour is hereby conferred on him in appreciation of his great services. He is deemed to be raised to the princely rank under the name and style of Prince Wu Yi (Prince of "Military Righteousness"), and he shall hereafter share with Us in honours as well as in difficulties. Receive in spirit reverent the honourable title! In witness thereof We affix Our seal.

## SPORTING.

## Cricket.

The following will represent K. C. C. against H.K.C.C. in a two-days' match, on Xmas Day and Boxing Day at H.K.C.C. Ground commencing at 2.15 p.m. on the 26th and 10 a.m. on the 27th.—Maj. Robertson (Capt.) K. McLaughlin, J. E. Robinson, E. B. Read, H. H. Taylor, A. A. Claxton, J. V. Braga, R. P. Thurnfield, W. Kay, Dr. C. Forsyth and L. M. Whyte.

## THE MAGISTRACY.

A Chinese who celebrated his release from prison by stealing some beef, was this morning sentenced to two months' imprisonment and four hours' stocks. He was chased for over a mile before being caught.

A coolie employed by the Kowloon ricksha contractor to collect the hire from other pullers was charged before Mr. Wood this morning with absconding with \$10.60. Inspector Gordon stated that there was no collector for such ten pullers, and another man to look after each ten collectors. Defendant was remanded in bail of \$50.

Very ingeniously concealed in the entrails of a pig, which again were wrapped round with long strips of a quilted bed cover, fifteen tins of opium were found in possession of a Chinese at Kowloon Railway Station. Charged by Inspector Gordon this morning, he was fined \$1,000 or two months by Mr. Hazeland.



## THE WAR.

## TODAY'S TELEGRAMS.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

## MR. ASQUITH AND THE WAR.

## FURTHER POINTS FROM THE SPEECH.

LONDON, Dec. 22. The deepest interest was manifested in Mr. Asquith's speech. The galleries were crowded. Lord Derby and Lord Fisher were seated above the clock.

Mr. Asquith added to his remarks on the partial withdrawal from Gallipoli that the men from "Anzac" after a much-needed rest, would proceed to a new theatre. He paid a warm tribute to General Monro and General Birdwood, and also, passing to the Western front, to Field-Marshal Viscount French and General Sir Douglas Haig. Expressing his appreciation of Lord Derby's efforts, the Prime Minister spoke of the response from all parts of the Empire as a commentary on the loyalty of the nation at home. "Let the hangover back seize the opportunity even now," he said, "and follow the example patriotically set by the great mass of the country."

Mr. Asquith said he hoped the Paris Conference would lead to greater concentration of purpose and co-ordination of plans, common energy and effectiveness. There had been in this war an abundance of errors and misjudgment, but this had not been confined to our side. The Allies had never wavered for a moment, and now their fighting forces, both of men and material, were every month simpler in quantity and better mobilised and organised for campaigning.

## CONSCRIPTION.

## WILL IT BE RESORTED TO?

LONDON, Dec. 22. In the House of Commons, after a long succession of speakers arguing for and against Compulsion, Mr. Tennant said Mr. Asquith had indicated that if certain conditions as regards recruiting were not fulfilled steps taken in the past might have to be substituted by others, and the Government might have to ask for further powers.

He did not wish to foreshadow what they would be, but the Government should feel that in asking for those powers they had behind them not only the vast majority of the members of the House of Commons, but also of the people outside. He appealed to the Nationalists and the Labourites to throw in their lot with the Government in their efforts to bring the war to the only possible termination conceivable.

Mr. Runciman said we could only pay for munitions produced abroad by safeguarding our exports. Unless the latter were kept up we would damage the cause of our Allies as much as if we failed to put another million men into the field. It was easy to underestimate Great Britain's war burden. If we had not cleared the German cruisers off the seas the Allies would not have lasted six months. Moreover, where would the Allies be without British credit behind them, and British industries maintained in a state of efficiency.

The House sat all night. Sir Edward Carson said his only criticism was that the vote came too late and was not large enough. Trade must spare the necessary men. Referring to Mr. Redmond's speech, he said he did not believe that Ireland would hesitate to join in whatever measures were necessary to finish the war.

## BRITISH SUBMARINE'S ACTIVITY IN SEA OF MARMORA.

ATHENS, Dec. 22. A British submarine has sunk the German steamer Floros and other craft in the Sea of Marmora.

## GERMANY'S NEW WAR CREDIT.

## SOCIALIST OPPOSITION.

## THE PEACE QUESTION.

AMSTERDAM, Dec. 22. The Reichstag has passed the third reading of the War Credit for £500,000,000 sterling, a number of Socialists voting against it. The Reichstag adjourned until January 11th.

In the course of the debate a statement on behalf of the Socialist Party was read, regretting the lack of response to its approaches to the workers of other countries with a view to restoring to Europe the peace so eagerly desired. Declaring it to be the duty of Germans to continue the war, but insisting on the adequate maintenance of the families of soldiers and the feeding of the poor, it protested against plans of conquest.

Herr Hilbert said he hoped every chance would be seized for negotiating peace.

Herr Geyer, on behalf of nineteen Socialists, said that the German politicians who were working for annexations were the greatest obstacles to peace negotiations. Dr. Bethmann-Hollweg in his speech of the 5th inst. supported this dangerous policy; therefore, Herr Geyer and his comrades refused to vote for the war credits.

## GERMAN MUNITION WORKS DESTROYED.

## THREE HUNDRED WOMEN KILLED.

AMSTERDAM, Dec. 22. A great explosion at the Munster Munition Works in Westphalia has caused huge damage to the town and the railways are interrupted. Three hundred women were killed out of six hundred employed in the munitions factory.

## KAISER INDISPOSED.

## CONFINED TO HIS ROOM.

AMSTERDAM, Dec. 22. A Berlin official announcement says the Kaiser has postponed his journey to the western front owing to slight inflammation of the cellular tissue, which confines him to his room.

## SCHEMES TO SMUGGLE RUBBER.

## INTERESTING REVELATIONS.

PARIS, Dec. 22. Elaborate schemes are made to smuggle rubber into Germany from America.

The latest revealed is reported from New York where 3,500 pounds of raw rubber was seized as it was about to be shipped. This had a sequel in the revelation of a fresh endeavour to send large quantities in the personal luggage of women agents travelling to Holland.

Confessions have been made to the Federal Authorities which show that a regular procession of women travellers was to have proceeded to Europe, each taking a quantity of rubber. A German agent at Rotterdam had arranged for forwarding it to Germany.

## RUSSIAN BOMBARDMENT OF VARNNA.

ATRENS, Dec. 22. It is learnt from diplomatic sources that Russian squadrons are bombarding Varna (the Bulgarian port on the Black Sea) and that sixteen transports full of troops were in the offing.

## BRITISH CASUALTIES IN MESOPOTAMIA.

LONDON, Dec. 22. Mr. Chamberlain stated in the House of Commons that the casualties in Mesopotamia to December 18th were 1,127, including 200 dead. Of this number 49 died from disease.

General Nixon was not at Kut-el-Amara. General Townshend yesterday reported that he, might had been quiet.

## IMPORTANT FRENCH SUCCESS.

## GERMAN ADMISSION.

AMSTERDAM, Dec. 22. A Berlin communique admits an important French success has been achieved by the capturing of a ridge at Hartmannswillerkopf and other positions. The fighting took place in driving snow.

PARIS, Dec. 22. A communique states that yesterday's attack enabled the French to extend their positions on the slopes east of Hartmannswillerkopf. 1,200 Germans have been taken prisoner.

## THE BRITISH FRONT.

## CONSIDERABLE ENEMY ACTIVITY.

LONDON, Dec. 22. The Press Bureau has given out a report from Headquarters which says:—

There were bombing engagements last evening about the quarries north of Loos and a considerable enemy fusillade opposite Arras where some mine craters were being disputed.

There was also considerable hostile shelling north of Loos and about Ypres, we replying.

The enemy artillery to-day has been active in some places. Our guns retaliated effectively. The enemy twice made determined attempts to occupy craters opposite Arras, but both attacks were repulsed after stubborn bombing contests. The enemy exposed himself freely and lost heavily.

## THE GERMAN FAILURE DESCRIBED.

LONDON, Dec. 22. Reuter's Correspondent at British Headquarters, in describing last Sunday's German failure north-east of Ypres, says it is clear the Germans hoped to surprise us, at least colour is lent to this view by their failure to press their infantry assault.

The attack was made in the early morning when least resistance might be expected. Soon gas was seen coming, and our artillery pumped shrapnel and high explosives into it in order to scatter the columns which might be massed behind. However, the German rush was spent before they reached the parapet.

A deafening artillery duel followed. When the fog of debris had cleared two capacious craters were revealed near the Ypres-Arras Railway. Like swarms of insects tiny green figures were seen wriggling, either busily steadily melted before the fusillade of rifle and machine-gun fire without getting closer.

Finally the British occupied the craters.

The Correspondent adds that our bombers are increasingly active and daring. This form of warfare is frankly distasteful to the enemy.

The individual superiority of our men over the steadily deteriorating enemy is daily getting more marked.

## BRITISH COMMANDS.

LONDON, Dec. 22. The War Office announces that General C. C. Monro (from Gallipoli) will succeed General Sir Douglas Haig in the command of the First Army in France.

General Sir Archibald Murray will succeed General Monro. Major-General Sir W. R. Robertson, the new Chief of the Imperial Staff, has been given temporary rank as General, with Major-General R. Whigham as his deputy.

Major-General Kiggell, Assistant Chief of the General Staff, becomes Chief of the Staff of General Sir Douglas Haig, Commander-in-Chief of the British Army in France.

## AUSTRALIANS DETERMINED TO SEE THE WAR THROUGH.

MELBOURNE, Dec. 20. The withdrawal from "Anzac" has not shaken the Australians' determination to see the war through. The Premier, Hon. Mr. Hughes, said: "Australia will be in the war till victory, final, complete and overwhelming for the Allies, is achieved. The evacuation serves to spur our resolute purpose."

WELLINGTON, Dec. 20. The Premier, Hon. Mr. Massey, said: "We had better face the position and be done with it than proceed with an enterprise which was commonly believed to be the result of an error of judgment." He deprecated a criticism of salomosity and urged the necessity of presenting a united front to the enemy.

## EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

## COMPULSORY SERVICE QUESTION.

## IRISH PARTY'S OPPOSITION.

LONDON, Dec. 21. In the House of Commons Mr. John Redmond (Leader of the Irish Nationalist Party) declared that the Irish Party would oppose compulsion under present conditions by every means in their power.

"FIGHT LIKE BRITONS." Mr. Stanton, the new member for Merthyr, in a remarkable maiden speech, vigorously denounced "the hypocritical nonsense," and said that if the people would not volunteer they must be fetched. (Loud cheers.) If the country was good enough to live in, it was good enough to fight for. (Cheers.) He concluded by saying that the House must only consider what was best for the nation. (Loud cheers.) "We are capable of doing infinitely more than we have done," he declared. He appealed to everyone to join to make "the boys in the field" feel that the whole country was behind them. "We have unbounded resources and courage. Let us banish humbug and all stand up and fight like Britons." (Loud cheers.)

## IMPORTANT COMMAND FOR SIR ARCHIBALD MURRAY.

LONDON, Dec. 21. Mr. Asquith stated in the House of Commons that General Sir W. R. Robertson had been recalled from France and made Chief of the Imperial General Staff in place of General Sir Archibald Murray, who was about to receive an important command.

## MYSTERIOUS AMERICAN MISSION.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22. It is announced that Colonel House, a friend of President Wilson, will shortly proceed to Europe at the President's request to deliver to certain American Ambassadors information regarding the Government's attitude toward various pending questions. It is denied that the journey is in any way a peace mission.

## FRENCH LOAN OF VICTORY.

PARIS, Dec. 22. The French Loan returns are still incomplete, but the subscriptions are estimated at \$560,000,000.

## RUSSIANS INVADE BULGARIA.

## LANDING EFFECTED AT VARNNA.

LONDON, Dec. 22. The Athens correspondent of the Daily Chronicle says that the Russians landed at Varna (Bulgaria's principal Black Sea port) after razing the town. The garrison lost heavily, but did not interfere with the landing.

## BULGARIANS IN GREEK MACEDONIA.

ATHENS, Dec. 21. The entry of the Bulgarians into Greek Macedonia with the Germans is forming the subject of diplomatic pourparlers.

## GREAT BATTLE IN PERSIA.

## RUSSIANS COMPLETELY DEFEAT THE ENEMY.

PETROGRAD, Dec. 22. The Russians occupied Kum, the stronghold of the German agents, after a great battle in which the enemy was completely defeated.

## NEW GERMAN MINISTER TO TEHRAN.

AMSTERDAM, Dec. 22. A Berlin telegram says that owing to the absence through illness of Prince Reuss, Consul-General Vassel, who is at present the diplomatic representative at Headquarters at Baghdad, becomes Minister at Teheran.

## BRITISH NEWSPAPERS AND THE HOLIDAY.

LONDON, Dec. 21. No papers will be published in Great Britain on Christmas Day, and no evening papers on Monday. [This may now be said to have become an established practice, as this, it is believed, is the third year in which it has been done.]

## BRITISH STEAMERS SUNK.

LONDON, Dec. 22. The British steamers, *Hundley* and *Belford* have been sunk. The crew of the latter were saved.

## NORWEGIAN STEAMER SEIZED BY GERMANS.

CHRISTIANIA, Dec. 22. The Norwegian steamer *Greenland* has been captured by a German submarine and taken to Swinemunde.

## THE EXTRA MILLION MEN SANCTIONED.

LONDON, Dec. 22. The House of Commons, after an all-night sitting, voted, without division the Army Estimates mentioned in the telegram published last night.

## FINE FRENCH ATTACK.

## GERMAN WORKS OCCUPIED.

PARIS, Dec. 22. The evening communique says that bad weather hampered the operations along a great part of the front. Nevertheless the French artillery bombarded German communication trenches in the northern portion of the front, dispersing supply convoys.

The French successfully bombarded an enemy salient on Rupt Haight, north of Pont-a-Mousson. A fine attack, following artillery preparation, enabled the French to occupy a considerable portion of the German works at Hartmannswillerkopf, the French capturing a number of prisoners.

## HIGH TREASON PRISONERS IN SOUTH AFRICA.

JOHANNESBURG, Dec. 22. Forty-five prisoners convicted of high treason are still imprisoned. The cases will be considered later.

## AN "IMPERIAL" AUDIENCE.

## The Ta Huang Ti's First Allocation.

The Ta Huang Ti (Emperor Yuan) received all the high officials of State in an audience on the morning of the 15th inst. in the Palace. Over a hundred officials attended the function which was in the nature of a homages audience. The new-born Son of Heaven (says the Peking Gazette) was observed to be still modest, and he graciously acknowledged the three low bows of his "subjects" as if the same were being paid to him in his capacity of the Chief Magistrate of a democracy. The courtiers were then addressed as follows by the Ta Huang Ti who stood in front of the Imperial Seat:

THE CHOICE OF THE PEOPLE. "The people of the whole country, in view of the fact that the Republic is unsuited to the conditions in our country, have decided to change the form of State into that of a Constitutional Monarchy. As this is the choice of the people I have to respect the voice of the people and not discuss it. I have been designated by the people of the whole country to become Emperor, but I fully realize that I am not worthy of the honour. I am therefore not a little embarrassed. Our country has been for a long time in a state of weakness, and dangers have been lurking in every corner. It is not an easy task to be strong again. I realize also that a permanent and far-sighted policy should be adopted at a time when the state is being shaped. The long days are before us and we do not know what difficulties are lurking ahead."

THE FATE OF IMPERIAL DESCENDANTS. "Once the great responsibilities are on my shoulder, I shall never be able to shrink them. The position of an Emperor is therefore a position of anxiety and fear and not a place in which to enjoy wealth and honour. It is also a fact that the descendants of Emperors seldom have good endings; and they are not allowed freedom to choose their knowledge and occupations. It is very difficult for the descendants of Emperors fully to develop themselves."

THE TA HUNG TI READY TO SACRIFICE HIMSELF. "But for the salvation of the country and the people I am willing to sacrifice myself as well as my descendants, because this is the duty of duty."

"China, however, is a great country and the affairs of State are of great importance. The capability of my hands and feet is limited. My hope is therefore that all will sacrifice themselves with one heart and one soul for the sake of the country and to remedy my shortcomings."

SUPERFLUOUS FORMALITIES. "In preparing for the Great Ceremony, therefore, all superfluous formalities should be omitted. Not only should the superfluous formalities of old dynasties be discarded, but any part of the ceremony observed in modern countries which are of no importance should also be omitted. In short the title of Emperor is a honour due to an Empire but the spirit of the nation should be in Unity, Perseverance and Excellence."

"MY KINGDOM." "If I were to look upon the title of Emperor as a glory, then my kingdom would soon be at an end. If you were to look upon the title of Emperor as a glory then the country would be in danger. My sole hope is that all will place the State before everything else and endeavour safely to cope with our difficulties. I, as well as all you, gentlemen, will be abating the trust which has been entrusted to us by the people of the whole country, if we stop at the change of the form of State and leave the reformation of the administration alone."

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